National Agricultural Research, Extension, Education, and Economics (NAREEE) Advisory Board

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The Honorable Thomas Vilsack Secretary U.S. Department of Agriculture 1400 Independence Ave. SW Jamie L. Whitten Building, Rm. 200-A Washington, DC 20250

Dear Secretary Vilsack:

During the April 2009 meeting of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, Education and Economics (NAREEE) Advisory Board, members conducted a session on Climate Change and Agriculture, focusing on adaptation and mitigation strategies.

Enclosed for your consideration is copy of the Board's final report on this subject matter area. We believe the report is both pertinent and timely.

As always, I remain available to discuss this report or other Board activities with you at any time.

Sincerely,

Martin A. Massengale

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Chair

Enclosure: Advisory Board Report on Climate Change and Agriculture

cc: Deputy Secretary Merrigan

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